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The Unified Communications Center ("UCC") is a city-wide project that will be the future home of the Government of the District of Columbia's Fire/Emergency Medical Services 911, Metropolitan Police Department 911/311, Mayor's City-Wide Call Center (727-1000), Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Operations Center and the City-Wide Technology/Communication Center.

# PROCUREMENT PROCESS CONTINUES

#### Construction

- Bid Package 3 (facility construction)
- 65% LSDBE participation (e.g. Majestic Grounds, Watkins Security, Blue Boy Printing)
- BP3 bid process ongoing
- Award expected May 2004
- 16 month construction schedule from NTP
- Current project completion date scheduled Fall 2005
- Childcare Development Center

### Special Chanks to . . .

### **Majestic Grounds**

Majestic Grounds is an LSDBE landscaping service owned and operated by Roxanne Burroughs. company was highly recommended by the Washington *Metropolitan* Minority **Contractors** Association (WMMCA) for superior service. During the interim period without a general contractor onsite, Majestic Grounds has provided full landscaping services for the UCC Project to include lawn cutting, debris removal, edging, trimming and site maintenance. Grounds was also responsible for building the sand pit used in the recent Ceremonial Groundbreaking held at the UCC on March 4, 2004. As president of the company, Roxanne provides a wonderful service and we are happy to have her aboard.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### May

- NCPC Final Approval
- □ DOES Passport-to-Work Registration
- Bid Package 3 Award

# THE UCC PROJECT IS GROUNDBREAKING!



(Pictured from Left to Right)

Jacque Patterson, ANC8B Chairperson Sandy Allen, Councilmember Ward 8 Vincent Orange, Councilmember Ward 3 Anthony Williams, Mayor Washington DC Linda Cropp, District Council Chairman Suzanne Peck, Chief Technology Officer Mary Cuthbert, ANC8C Chairperson Anthony Muhammad, ANC8A Chairperson

On a crisp sunny, morning, and after months of planning and preparation, the UCC Project held its Ceremonial Groundbreaking on March 4, 2004. This was the perfect event to kickoff what will be the third and final phase of construction of the UCC Facility scheduled for completion Fall 2005.

The event was well attended with over 200 persons representing employees, officials and citizens of the District of Columbia. Speakers included Mayor Anthony Williams. Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton. Councilmembers Orange, Patterson and Ward 8 Councilmember Sandy Allen. Additional remarks were provided by Police Chief Ramsey, Fire Chief Thompson and ANC8C Chair Mary Cuthbert.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

This newsletter is published by OCTO with the intent to provide information and updates to the community regarding the status of the UCC Project.

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**UCC** Rendering

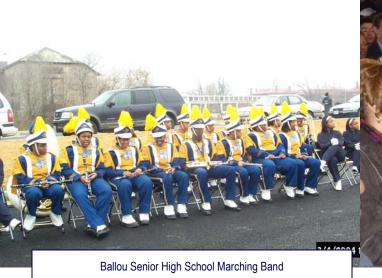
## PHOTO COLLECTION

Groundbreaking Ceremony





(left to right) Robert Bobb, Senator Tom Carper William Lockeridge, Councilmember Kathy Patterson, Jacque Patterson



Council Chairman Linda Crop seated next to Mayor Anthony A Williams

#### The Unified Communications Project

A major city investment east of the river, contributing to public safety, economic development and neighborhood revitalization